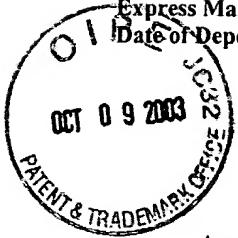


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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a three month extension of time to respond to the April 9, 2003 Office Action in the above-identified application. With the extension, the response is due on or before October 9, 2003. Please find a check (#17456) in the amount of \$475.00 in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(1). The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 21486-028.

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